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In order to get first hand information, the students can use the following website to research letters written by colonists. These are actual letters that were written between 1620-1630. This website also has a list of passenger’s that traveled on the Mayflower. Under Pilgrim History it gives information about The Mayflower, The Voyage, The Wampanoag, Exploring Cape Cod, The Pilgrims, Life in Plymouth and Modern Plymouth. The students will use this to gather information for their project.

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/primarySources/letters.php>

The Scholastic website is going to be used on the first day of research. This website will be used as an opener to our unit project. Within this website, students will be able to take virtual field trips, tour the Mayflower, learn about what daily life was like for a colonist, and also learn about the first Thanksgiving Feast. Within the website, there is also information about the Wampanoags including fictional letters from Wampanoags and Pilgrims. These can be used as a guide in our first assessment to write a letter to a relative back home.

<http://www.scholastic.com/scholastic_thanksgiving/>

# A History of US, Book 2: Making Thirteen Colonies (History of US) by Joy Hakim

This book would be a good in place of the textbook. It gives great information about before the colonists came over as well as after. It even talks about the Indians. There is a timeline in the book that tells what happened during the year. I would use this book when they are researching information for their project.